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Applications being accepted for Riverside Police Department's Juvenile Intervention Program

RIVERSIDE, CA — The Riverside Police Department's Community Services Bureau is accepting applications for its next scheduled juvenile intervention program. *O.W.E. — OPPORTUNITY WITH EDUCATION* was created to provide education and mentoring to our youth through positive interactions with police officers, educators, prosecutors, and other professionals, rather than the influences from the culture of criminal elements. This is <u>not</u> a boot camp or "scared straight" type program, but one designed to positively redirect "at-risk" youth between the ages of 12 to17 (*middle & high school age*), through topic lectures, tours, physical fitness, community service, and close order drill. Choices and consequences will be stressed throughout the program, and the opportunity to build self-esteem, leadership qualities, and change to positive social behaviors will be available to all participants which will aid in breaking the cycle of criminal behavior, while encouraging them toward success.

The goal of **O.W.E.** is to help parents and their children bring a sense of "Family" back to their homes. The parent(s) & legal guardian(s) of program participants *must* fully support **O.W.E.** and the staff for their child to be enrolled, and are <u>required</u> to attend the morning session of each class for group counseling and topic lectures.



We are currently accepting applications for the next session starting early March 2015. **O.W.E.** is held at California Baptist University from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each Saturday for fifteen consecutive weeks. The O.W.E. program takes place twice a year from September to December and February to May, with applications accepted throughout the year.

The O.W.E. program is free to participating families and you do not need to be a resident of Riverside to apply. To apply online, please go to www.rpdonline.org/owe. For questions or inquiries, please email rpdowe@riversideca.gov.





OPPORTUNITY WITH EDUCATION

"Nuestros niños se merecen la oportunidad"

Oportunidad con educación (O.W.E.) es una colaboración entre la policía y las organizaciones comunitarias. El programa de 15 semanas está diseñado para redirigir positivamente a jóvenes masculinos y femeninos "en riesgo" entre las edades de 12 a 17 años.

Opciones y consecuencias hará hincapié durante todo el programa. El programa desarrollará autoestima y animará a los participantes hacia el éxito.

PARTICIPACIÓN DE LOS PADRES ES OBLIGATORIA

ACTIVIDADES Y TEMAS DE CLASE

- Los medios de comunicación social / seguridad en el Internet
- ✓ Educación Física
 ✓ Taller de educación familiar
- √ Consejería Individual
- ✓ Leyes Juveniles✓ Formación del
- Carácter ✓ Drogas / Mariguana
- ✓ Tráfico ilegal de niños
- ✓ Alcohol / DUI ✓ Servicios
- ✓ Servicios
 Comunitarios
- ✓ Pandillas
- ✓ Relaciones entre adolescentes
- ✓ Información sobre carreras✓ Bullying /
- Atentados ✓ Excursiones

Las clases son los sábados entre las 8:00 – 15:30. Programa de los padres es de 8:00-11:00. Las sesiones del sábado para que los participantes abarcarán: entrenamiento físico y ejercicios, habilidades para la vida, recorridos educativos, servicio comunitario y conferencias del tema. Los padres son responsables de transporte hacia y desde el programa.

APRENDA MÁS ACERCA DEL PROGRAMA Y APLICAR EN LÍNEA HOY!

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